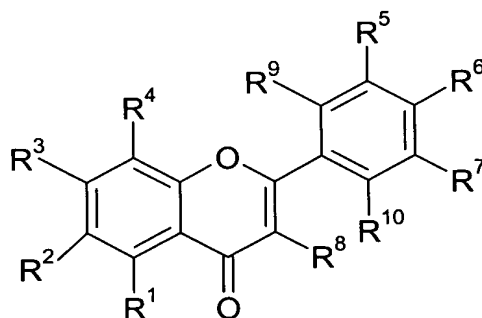


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Previously presented) A composition for pharmaceutical or cosmetic application, or as a nutritional supplement having antioxidant properties comprising at least one compound of the formula I in an amount of from 0.01 to 20% by weight of such composition



I

where R^1 to R^{10} may be identical or different and are selected from

- H
- OR^{11}
- a straight-chain or branched C_1 - to C_{20} -alkyl group,
- a straight-chain or branched C_3 - to C_{20} -alkenyl group,
- a straight-chain or branched C_1 - to C_{20} -hydroxyalkyl group, where the hydroxyl group is bonded to a primary or secondary carbon atom of the alkyl group and wherein the alkyl group is optionally interrupted by oxygen, and/or
- a C_3 - to C_{10} -cycloalkyl group, or a C_3 - to C_{12} -cycloalkenyl group, where the rings are each optionally bridged by $-(CH_2)_n$ - group, where $n = 1$ to 3 ,
- where OR^{11} is, independently of one another,
 - OH
 - a straight-chain or branched C_1 - to C_{20} -alkoxy group,
 - a straight-chain or branched C_3 - to C_{20} -alkenyloxy group,
 - a straight-chain or branched C_1 - to C_{20} -hydroxyalkoxy group, where the hydroxyl

group is bonded to a primary or secondary carbon atom of the chain and furthermore the alkyl chain is optionally interrupted by oxygen,

- a C₃- to C₁₀-cycloalkoxy group, or a C₃- to C₁₂-cycloalkenyloxy group, where the rings are each optionally bridged by -(CH₂)_n- group, where n = 1 to 3,
- a mono- and/or oligoglycosyl radicals,

with the proviso that:

- at least 3 radicals from R¹ to R⁷ are OH and that at least 2 pairs of -OH groups in the molecule are located at positions on a ring adjacent to one another, or R², R⁵ and R⁶ are OH and the radicals R¹, R³, R⁴ and R⁷⁻¹⁰ are H.

2. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1, comprising at least one compound of the formula I wherein radicals R¹ to R⁴ and radicals R⁵ to R⁷ each comprise at least two -OH groups located at positions on a ring adjacent to one another.

3. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1, comprising at least one compound of the formula I wherein radicals R¹ to R⁴ comprise at least three -OH groups located at positions on a ring adjacent to one another.

4. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1, comprising at least one compound of the formula I wherein the radicals R¹ to R³ are OH.

5. (Currently Amended) A composition of claim 1, comprising one or more compounds of the formula I in an amount of from ~~0.01 to 20%~~ 1 to 8% by weight.

6. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1, comprising one or more compounds of the formula I in an amount of from 0.1 to 10% by weight.

7. **(Previously presented)** A composition of claim 1, for the protection of body cells against oxidative stress, further comprising one or more other antioxidants and/or vitamins.
8. **(Previously presented)** A composition of claim 7, wherein said anti-oxidant or vitamin is vitamin A palmitate, vitamin C or a derivative thereof, DL- α -tocopherol, tocopherol E acetate, nicotinic acid, pantothenic acid or biotin.
9. **(Previously presented)** A composition of claim 1, further comprising one or more UV filters.
10. **(Previously presented)** A composition of claim 9, wherein said UV filter is 3-(4'-methylbenzylidene)-dl-camphor, 1-(4-tert-butylphenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)propane-1,3-dione, 4-isopropylidibenzoylmethane, 2-hydroxy-4-methoxybenzophenone, octyl methoxycinnamate, 3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexyl salicylate, 2-ethylhexyl 4-(dimethylamino)benzoate, 2-ethylhexyl 2-cyano-3,3-diphenylacrylate, or 2-phenylbenzimidazole-5-sulfonic acid and its potassium, sodium and triethanolamine salts.
11. **(Previously presented)** A composition of claim 1, said composition being a food or a food supplement and further comprising an excipient which is suitable for a food or a food supplement.
12. **(Withdrawn, Previously presented)** A process for preparing a composition of claim 11, comprising mixing a compound of formula I with an excipient which is suitable cosmetically or dermatologically or for food.
13. **(Withdrawn, Previously presented)** A process according to claim 12, wherein the compound of formula I is prepared by reacting a 2-hydroxyacetophenone compound with a lithium

compound and subsequently a keto compound.

14. (Withdrawn, Previously presented) A method for achieving an anti-oxidant effect on a patient comprising administering to the patient a composition of claim 1.

15. (Withdrawn, Previously presented) A method of claim 14, wherein the composition is applied to the skin.

16. (Withdrawn, Previously presented) A method of claim 14, wherein the composition further comprises at least one UV filter compound.

17. (Withdrawn, Previously presented) A method of claim 16, wherein the UV filter is a dibenzoylmethane compound.

18. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1, which is in the form of an emulsion.